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Campaigns In Progress Seek Aid From Citizens In Worthy Endeavors

There always seems to be some voice crying aloud for aid and assistance and during November and December, the particular voices have been those appeals from organizations of proven worth, which Northfield hears and answers. The citizens of this community are benevolently inclined and generous and each according to his or her ability, willingly respond. Recently, the Red Cross production department, Bundles for Britain, the War Relief, the Chinese Relief, have enlisted sympathy and co-operation, while the particular personal interests of some of our people, and the activities of churches and organizations in special effort has gone on unabated. Those who have been in contact with local conditions, and know the situation, report that all deserving charity needs have been satisfied, not only within the town but also about the surrounding district. And so we turn to the recent campaigns here.

The Christmas Seal

The last weekend, the campaign of the sale of Christmas Seals was begun in town and our citizens received through the mails, the sheets of the greeting stamp. A letter explained the reason for the "seal" and told of how the sale would benefit the various towns of the county, through the endeavors of the Franklin County Public Health association. Mrs. F. Earl Lilly was named as chairman for Northfield and vicinity and the returns should be made to her in the envelope provided in the letter. The campaign will continue to Christmas day and by that time with returns all in, the result will be announced and it is hoped that the sum realized will equal if not surpass the results of last season. Seals may be purchased at the various stores about the town. More than 10,000 persons in Franklin county received the message of appeal.

Red Cross Roll Call

Reports are rapidly coming in from the members of the local Red Cross Roll Call to Mrs. George W. Carr of the results of the Northfield solicitation that ensures a splendid showing. Already nearly \$600 has been taken to the treasurer of the county chapter in Greenfield by George W. Carr, chairman for the Northfield committee canvass. The drive began Armistice day and officially was concluded with the passing of the Thanksgiving season. Many persons who have been out of town or who have been overlooked in the canvass will be contacted and it is expected that these contributions will swell the fund. If you live in Northfield and desire to do your share for this wonderful and beneficial work of the Red Cross, send at least your membership by mail to Mr. Carr. Complete reports will be made public as soon as possible. Those who aided in the campaign locally, were Mrs. Neva Barber, Miss Helen Handy, Mrs. William Marshall, W. H. Waite, Roy R. Hatch, Mrs. Fred Huber, Mrs. Edw. Bolton, Mrs. William Shattuck, Mrs. Vernal Hurlbut, Miss Julia Austin, Mrs. Richard Cobb, Mrs. Robert McCastline, Mrs. Charles Repeta, Mrs. Malcolm Billings, Mrs. Carroll Rich, Mrs. A. H. Farnum, Mrs. Gordon Moody and Miss Helen Proctor.

Salvation Army

The mail and solicitation campaign to raise the quota for Northfield for the Salvation Army has been almost concluded, but contributions are still invited and may be sent to William F. Hoehn, treasurer of the local fund. The solicitation was conducted by Wesley G. Winsor and Clifford S. Caseley, representatives of the Army. It is expected that in another week additional contributions will be received to attain the quota, of which 20 per cent will be retained for local expenditures. Local deserving cases needing assistance will be cared for if any of our citizens wish to help the same to Ross L. Spencer, chairman or to Mr. Hoehn. Local members of the Salvation Army committee besides Mr. Spencer and Mr. Hoehn, are: Merwin D. Birdsell, William A. Barr, George W. Carr, Rev. W. W. Coe, Rev. Mary Andrews Conner, Dr. F. N. Dean, Grove W. Deming, Nelson A. Jackson, H. F. Millard, A. Gordon Moody, Dr. David R. Porter, Miss Mira B. Wilson, Samuel E. Walker, Mrs. N. P. Wood and Dr. A. H. Wright.

A Local Young Man Named Aviation Cadet Now At Pensacola

The Navy's Flight Selection Board for New England announced that Robert Leigh de Veer of Northfield, and Middlebury college, has qualified for appointment as an Aviation Cadet, by completing successfully one month's preliminary flight training at the Naval Air Station at Squantum. He has departed, for an advanced flight training base in Pensacola, Fla., where his flight instruction will continue under Navy and Marine Corps flying officers. Upon graduation from the seven months course at Pensacola, he will be commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve, and awarded the gold wings of a Naval Aviator. After two weeks leave of absence, he will be ordered to active duty.



Robert Leigh de Veer

Naval Aviation Cadet Robert Leigh de Veer attended Mount Hermon school, where he was a member of the swimming and track teams and also active in dramatics. He entered Middlebury college with the class of '41 and graduated that year. During his student days his extra-curricular activities consisted of intramural sports, track and dramatics. He was also a member of S. P. E. fraternity.

Any unmarried young man between the ages of 20 and 27, who has been an American citizen for at least ten years and has acquired one-half the credits for a degree from an accredited college, is eligible for consideration for Navy flight training. Eligible applicants who have one-quarter of such credits and subsequently have occupied a position of responsibility in civil life for at least three years. An Aviation Cadet receives \$105 a month, plus uniforms, quarters and a \$10,000 life insurance policy. As an Ensign or 2nd Lieutenant, he gets \$245 a month, a uniform allowance of \$150 and \$500 for each complete year of active duty not undergoing training; three years later, as a lieutenant (jg), or 1st Lieutenant, he will receive \$346 a month. Applications should be addressed to the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board, 150 Causeway street, Boston.

Many substantial articles for war relief are continuing to be placed in the barrels at the IGA and A & P stores.

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County S. P. C. C. Preceding the recent campaigns in this town and throughout the county was the canvass for funds through the mail of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. This organization has done a most commendable work and its report gives expression to its accomplishments. Mrs. Fred A. Holton of Highland avenue is the Northfield director and was in charge of the local solicitation. She now reports that the sum of \$201.10 was realized but that some additional contributions may yet come in. In behalf of the society, she desires to express her thanks to all who have so graciously given and especially to those of the Seminary who have co-operated.

Items Of Interest At Hermon - Seminary

Sock and Buskin, freshman dramatic society at the Seminary, will present a Christmas drama "A Painting for the Duchess" in Silverthorne hall tomorrow evening at 8:15.

The eighth anniversary of the Seminary Church will be observed at the morning service in Sage chapel this Sunday at 11 o'clock. Rev. Harold B. Ingalls will take the communion service. Rev. Howard J. Conn of the Congregational church in Great Barrington will speak at the vespers service at 5:30 p. m.

At Mount Hermon Memorial chapel, Rt. Rev. John T. Dallas, Bishop of New Hampshire will preach at the morning service at 10:30 and the Rev. Judson Stearns of Westminster, Vt., who is a member of the Hermon faculty, will conduct the communion service at 5:30 p. m.

Carol services will be held at both schools on Sunday, Dec. 14, to usher in the Christmas season. A special program of Yuletide music will be given by a combined choir of voices from the Mount Hermon glee club and the Estey chorus of Northfield Seminary under the direction of Melvin L. Gallagher.

Establish Fine Record Attendance At Center

Principal George Leonard of the Center school, makes public the roster of pupils in the various grades who have attained perfect attendance during the first term:

Grade 8: Helen Andrews, Rita Cota, Sophie Duda, Beatrice Jurkowski, Ruth Norton, Barbara Taylor, Robert Clark, Herbert LaPlante, John Lyons, Irving Walker, Kenneth Walker, Lawrence Whitney.

Grade 7: Marilyn Dresser, Lorraine Gings, Carolyn Miller, Mary Strange, Robert Hubbard, Gordon Leavis, Donald Norton.

Grade 6: Doris Doolittle, Jerome Gings, Blanche Duda, Ruth Holton, Donna LaPlante, Lorraine Lyons, Ralph Lyons, James Morgan, Paul Rikert, Teddy Sargent, Stanley Wozniak, Francis Tenney, Marilyn Whitney.

Grade 5: Wayne Billings, Ralph Mankowsky, Clarence Randall, Irwin Severance, Neil Sutherland, Richard Whitney, Robert Williams, Kenneth Wing, Alice Cota, Agnes Duda, Jean Lyman, Rita Mello, Shirley Miller, Mary Ann Wozniak.

Grade 4: Franklin Berry, Leonard Black, Louise Black, Howard Clark, Kathleen Gings, Azilda Goular, Phyllis Lyman, Edgar Parker, June Randall, David Randall, Arthur Stacey, Theodore Trombley, Marguerite Urganiewicz, Iris Whitney.

Grade 3: Christine Andrew, Rose Fisher, Barbara Griswold, Janet Mankowski, Meredith Randall, Janice Starkey, Roger Bassett, Dean Fisher, Walter Furness, Edward Parson, Lynwood Sibley.

Grade 2: Marlene Bilmon, Annette Clark, Virginia Field, Catherine Fisher, Joan Fisher, Ruth Furness, Janet Goular, Elisabeth Holton, Frances LaMoria, Dolores Quinn, Irene Thompson, Duane Griswold, Norman Holloway, Francis Lyman, Gordon McIntire, Robert Rogers, Edward Saczawa, Robert Whitney, Richard Wing, Albert Williams.

Grade 1: Marita Bassett, Martha Chamberlain, Marjorie Doolittle, Betty Fisher, Eleanor Hutchinson, Nancy Stark, Robert Clough, Paul Kie, Raymond LaMoria, Ralph Miller, John Randall.

Grade 0: Mrs. F. W. Dean of Main street are leaving New York today by steamship for Jacksonville, Fla., for a vacation in the southland. They will continue their journey by motor to Miami where they expect to remain until they begin their return homeward. Dr. Dean's office will be closed until about Dec. 22.

Vacation In Florida

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Supper - Fair Success

The annual supper and fair of the Ladies' Benevolent society of Northfield Farms held last Friday evening in No. 4 school was well attended and quite a success. Mrs. Agnes Hammond was chairman of the supper, assisted by Mrs. Mary Parker, Mrs. Viola Billings, Mrs. Ruth Martin and Mrs. Dorothy Clough. Mrs. George Sheldon had charge of the holder table. The quilt went to Mrs. Bertha Leach. Mrs. Jeanette Perry, Mrs. Ida Browning and Mrs. Lucy Shearer had charge of the aprons and fancy work; Mrs. Nettie Gilbert, popcorn table; Mrs. Merle Jones, candy table; and Mrs. Bertha Hammond, fish pond.

Greenfield Choral Club Will Present "Messiah" Mr. Gallagher, Director

The Greenfield Choral club will present "The Messiah" by Handel in a public concert on Sunday afternoon at 8:30, Dec. 21 at the Second Congregational church in Greenfield. Among the membership of the club are to be found many of the best singers of Northfield and Mount Hermon.

The club's performance of "The Messiah" has become almost a traditional observance of the Christmas season because of its success for several years.

This year's performance, however, will be unique in presenting the complete first part of Handel's work. In previous years, the program has included selections from both first and second parts with the famous Hallelujah Chorus. The plan this year is to present the second part of the work at Easter time.

Melvin L. Gallagher of the Northfield schools is directing the club which comprises about 45 voices. Miss Esther Strong of Northampton, who appeared with the chorus last year, will be the contralto and Howard B. Roche of Greenfield, president of the club, will be the tenor.

Two new soloists will be Miss Claire McLamore, student at Northfield Seminary, soprano; and Victor Prahl of Northampton, bass. Carlton L'Hommedieu, organist at Mount Hermon will be the organist, and Miss Marguerite Rist of Turners Falls, pianist.

It is expected that there will be a large attendance of friends from this town.

Congregational Church Notices For The Week

Sunday: The church school will meet at 10 a. m. The senior department worship service will be in charge of Mrs. Gale's class of girls. Morning worship at 11. The preacher will be Rev. Robert E. Luccock of Plainville, Conn., who will speak on "The Christian Hope in a World of Despair." At 3:30, the Society of Friends will hold a meeting for worship in the Endeavor room. At 6:30 the C. E. society will meet. Miss Van Oost of the Seminary will be the speaker, and will show several reels of movies about her work in China. The evening service will be held at 7:30 in the vestry, with Rev. Luccock preaching on the topic, "Buried Alive." The Young People's Forum meeting at 8:15 with Monroe Smith of the youth hostel showing pictures of his visit to South America. All are welcome.

Monday evening at 7:30, meeting of the standing committee in the Endeavor room.

Tuesday at 3, Bible class meets with Mrs. Joseph Colton; Mrs. W. H. Giebel, teacher.

Thursday at 7:15, prayer meeting; Choir rehearsal at 8.

Friday at 7:30, Evening Auxiliary meets at the home of Mrs. William Marshall on Highland avenue. This will be a sewing meeting. Mr. Dahl will lead the devotions.

Unitarian Services

Next Sunday at the Unitarian church, the minister, Rev. Arthur Heeb, will conduct the morning service with sermon at 10:45. The church school will meet at 9:45 with Caroline Miller as the leader.

Dr. Kohn To Speak To Seminary Students

At 8 o'clock next Tuesday evening, Dr. Hans Kohn of the department of history at Smith college will speak to the history students of the Seminary in Silverthorne hall. Dr. Kohn, who has been enthusiastically received by many audiences in this vicinity and was the speaker at the opening meeting of the Foreign Policy association at the Weldon hotel, will discuss the current situation in Europe. Northfield people who would be interested in this talk are cordially invited to attend.

Close Short Cut Road

The road running over grounds of the Seminary to the left as one leaves the Schell bridge, and which had its exit on the main highway has been closed and barriers have been erected at both ends. The curbing which is being placed along the new finished highway also makes no provision for an entrance to this road and also by-passes the road up the Seminary hill to Marquand which will be discontinued. The only entrance to the Seminary grounds will be just north of the Homestead, from the new highway.

China For China Party Was A Success

Ever since the Fortnightly agreed to sponsor "The China for China" party, and started the ball rolling with their collection amounting to \$7.80, all kinds of contributions in articles to be sold as well as checks have come pouring in. The enterprise has realized \$128 to date and will be glad to receive further donations indefinitely.

The committee wishes to thank all those who actually worked for the sale (too many to name) and all those sympathetic friends who were not able to attend the party but sent money through friends or by mail. As it would take a long time to send each one a note of acknowledgement, it is hoped that they will accept this word of thanks via the Press.

Not only were the townspeople generous in giving and buying and helping, but also a large part of the credit for our success is due to members of the Mount Hermon and Northfield Seminary bodies.

It is reported that \$20 will pay for one child's food, clothing, and schooling for a year in China. Also that \$1.00 American money is worth about 18 times as much over there. Hence we can see that \$128 is worth far more to the Chinese than it is to us.

Young People's Forum

The meeting of the Young People's Forum at the Congregational church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock will be addressed by Monroe Smith, director of the youth hostels, who will speak of the hostel trip to South America and show movies in color taken on the journey. The public are invited to attend.

At the Forum social which will be held on Dec. 17, a contribution of old clothing and toys will be received to send to the needy families of Eden, Vt., whose plight was described by Mr. Dahl last Sunday. All interested are invited to make such donations, warm clothing, mittens, stockings, etc., and toys and they will be called for if you phone David Elington, Grace Heald, Charles Lawrence or Francis Reed, or you may bring them to the social.

Evans Will Is Filed

The will of the late Roselle A. Evans of this town was filed last Friday in the probate court and provides through bequests that \$500 shall be held in trust for "the poor" of Northfield, \$500 for the Trinitarian Congregational church, and \$1,000 is for an orphan home when and if established in the county. The residue of the estate is divided among his three sisters and one brother, effective upon the death of his wife Minnie Mae Evans, who has the benefits during her lifetime.

Arrives At Crossnore

A communication from Crossnore school in North Carolina advises that the large shipment of substantial and useful clothing and other goods from Northfield has been received and is appreciated. With the kindly aid of friends, Mrs. Hoehn was able to forward the shipment early by freight and she takes this opportunity to thank all who so kindly helped in the undertaking for the benefit of the institution in which she is so much interested.

November Was Fine

According to all records in this vicinity, the November weather was most pleasant. There were but few rainy days and the temperatures were mostly above normal. There was only once a trace of snow. There was about 4.26 inches of precipitation. Rain is still badly needed and but little water is running in both springs and brooks. All in all November was a fine month with considerable sunshine. However furnaces were quite necessary in all stores and homes to ensure warmth.

Auto Plates Are Ready

Last Monday, being the first of the month, the number plates for automobiles went on sale at the motor registry office in Greenfield and quite a number of motorists were on hand for their 1942 numerals. Pleasure car numbers run from 345,001 to 355,000 and Supervisor O'Donnell urges all to get their plates as early as possible and avoid the rush later. The registry office hours are from 9 to 12:30 and 1:30 to 5 week-days and 9 to 12 on Saturdays.

Many Hermon Awards Will Be Bestowed At Athletic Dinner

Fifty-nine varsity letter awards in fall sports are to be presented by the Mount Hermon school athletic association, directed by Axel B. Forslund, head of the physical education department. Eleven letters are to be given to the victorious cross-country team, which won the New England championships at Andover and concluded the fifth successive winning season. Twenty-seven letters were won in football and 21 in soccer. The awards are to be made at the annual fall athletic dinner to be held in West hall on the eve of the boys' departure for Christmas holidays on Dec. 19.

All Hermon varsity letter awards are as follows:

Cross-country: Richard Bramhall, Watertown; Lewis Newcomb, West Farmington, Me.; Garven Hudgins, Philadelphia; Norman Buker, New London, N. H.; David Smith, Leicester; Howard Morris,



Axel B. Forslund

son, Andover; Peter Adams, Guilford, Miss.; Robert Leonard, Ridgewood, N. J.; Charles Sanborn, Beverly; Trevor Swett, Jr., Washington, D. C.; Robert Smith, White River Junction, Vt.

Football: Ellwood Shields, Lowell; James Kaufman, Swarthmore, Pa.; Wayland Wisbey, Auburn, N. I.; John Harmon, Churchville, N. Y.; Robert Smith, Watertown; Louis Piper, Keene, N. H.; Roderick Hall, Worcester; Thomas Restin, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; John Burke, Washington; Albert Lahr, Flushing, N. Y.; Robert Daniels, Melrose; Robert Roy, Wollaston; Douglas Crook, Rumford, R. I.; Albert Smith, Rockaway, N. Y.; George Eddy, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Richard Bowman, Glastonbury, Conn.; Llewellyn Jones, Forest Hills, N. Y.; David White, Elmira, N. Y.; Dean Marich, New York City; James McLamore, Central Valley, N. Y.; John Roberts, East Providence, R. I.; William Tothill, Wheelwright; Charles Morris, Trenton, N. J.; Paul Royer, Queens Village, N. Y.; Howard Hubbell, Mount Hermon; Roger Young, Nantucket; Robert Pierce, Richmond, Va.

Soccer: Albert Lecrenier, New Britain, Conn.; Robert Bodington, Little Compton, R. I.; James Mitchell, Bermuda; Warner Plummer, Laconia, N. H.; Gail Watson, Gerrish, N. H.; Ralph Aligood, Auburn, Ala.; Stanley Chisholm, East Haven, Conn.; Charles Keen, Lewisburg, Pa.; Austin Matson, New London, Conn.; Russell Durgin, East Northfield; David Hall, Millbury; David Hawkes, Seattle, Wash.; Cyrus Mayshark, Watertown; Paul Allen, Iran; Philip Massare and Bruce Johnston, Stamford, Conn.; Carl Swanson, East Haven, Conn.; Robert Johnson, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Samuel Holbrook, Westboro; Walter Wood, Holliston; Edward Obert, Jr., Milford, Conn.

Mrs. Charles C. Morgan Meets Accidental Death Ill With Heart Trouble

The body of Mrs. Charles C. Morgan of Northfield Farms was found Tuesday afternoon in the milk house on the farm, a short distance to the rear of the home. She had been ill for a long time and it is presumed that she suffered a heart attack and fell backward into the small creamery tank while getting milk. Medical examiner Stetson after an investigation said death was due to accidental drowning.

Mrs. Morgan had been in such frail health she had not been left alone for long periods for some time. Tuesday afternoon Mr. Morgan drove to his woodland across the railroad tracks to get a load of wood but when he returned Mrs. Morgan was missing. A hurried search resulted in the finding of her body.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan came here about 29 years ago and purchased the Sumner Stratton place, a brick house and farm on the main highway near the Erving line. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Feb. 6, 1940. They were married in Athol, Feb. 6, 1890, by Rev. Horace F. Brown of the Baptist church. Mrs. Morgan was the former Mabel Rawson of Orange and they lived in that town during their early married life. Mrs. Morgan was born in Orange, July 8, 1868.

She was a member of the Eastern Star and the Ladies' Benevolent society of the Farms district, and during the 1936 flood was in charge of the relief station at No. 4 school, sleeping feeding refugees for the local Red Cross disaster committee. She was always abounding in good work and had been active in all civic and community affairs.

The funeral services were held at her late home on Thursday afternoon with Rev. Edward C. Dahl of the Congregational church officiating. Burial was in the family plot in Northfield Farms cemetery.

Mrs. Herbert E. Baright

Mrs. Irene Benham Baright, widow of the late Dr. Herbert E. Baright, died of pneumonia in Beverly last week Thursday. The body was brought to this town last Saturday for burial in the Center cemetery. The committal service was in charge of Rev. Edward C. Dahl of the Congregational church. Mrs. Baright was at one time the teacher of Latin and Dean of Women at Montpelier (Vt.) Seminary. She was well known here, where she had many friends and visited at the home of Dr. Baright's sister, Mrs. Leon R. Alexander.

Fortnightly Today

The regular scheduled meeting of the Fortnightly will be held this Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Alexander hall, when William G. Avirett of Deerfield academy will speak on "Foreign Affairs." The tea hostesses will be Mrs. F. Wilton Dean, Mrs. Ross L. Spencer and Mrs. Marshall Lanphear.

Hunting Disappointing

The weather this week started in to make the hunting season doomed to disappointment. Not many deer have been seen in the usual localities where they have been heretofore found and reports of killings have not been many. Many local hunters from town had gone into the woods on Monday and a large number of strangers were also seen. We hope to list the successful hunters in the paper next week.

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Due to later bloom our fruit shipping begins a bit later than last year. The earlier varieties are now available, and even though these never color so deeply in November, the quality and quantity of juice is highly satisfactory. (We ship no "color added" fruit.) From now on we shall be able to ship as you desire. While we cannot guarantee indefinitely the prices quoted below, due to higher prices of fruit plus shortage and higher prices of containers, we shall do our best.

1 Bushel Oranges or Grapefruit or Mixture send\$1.40
Half Bushel Oranges or Grapefruit or Mixture send90c

Express charges which you may pay on arrival of fruit are same as last year—N. Y., Mass., Conn., R. I., Penn., Ill., Ohio \$1.25 per bushel—70c per half bushel; Lower Michigan \$1.30 and 75c; Maine, N. H., Vt., \$1.35 and 75c. Orange Blossom Honey in 5-lb pails at 70 cents extra may be packed in your baskets at no extra express charge. We sent out a quarter ton last year. We can also add between the fruit nice pecans at 20c a pound—not over 2 pounds.

Christmas baskets—bushels and halves—oranges and grapefruit will be sent again this year at the above prices. We decorate these especially for gifts and enclose your name on a card. We need your orders on or before Dec. 12 to assure delivery. You will wish to include express charges on these.

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TOWN TOPICS

A daughter, Louise Wyckoff, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Preston W. Dye in Detroit, Mich., on Sunday, Nov. 30. Mrs. Dye was formerly Jean L. Stanley, daughter of Mrs. W. P. Stanley of Highland avenue.

Word comes that H. W. Doremus, well known summer resident of this town is at the New York hospital for treatment after an illness of several weeks. His daughters, Miss Jean Lincott of Orrs Island, Me., and Miss Dorothy Doremus of Milford, Conn., were called to New York. Mr. Doremus is reported improving.

Mrs. Robert Hubbard who has been quite ill at her home on the Northfield Farms road is reported as improving.

Philip G. Cavanaugh, who has been released from military service with Co. L, seeing service in maneuvers in the south, has taken the Adams house in Northfield Farms for residence with his wife, who was the former Helen Newton of this town. He has returned to his former work with the Millers Falls Paper Co.

An invitation is extended to local people who would like to learn some of the old-fashioned square dances to attend at the youth hostel this Saturday evening.

Monroe Smith and William A. Nelson of the youth hostel have a speaking engagement at the Putney school Wednesday night. Mr. Nelson has just returned from a Regional trip through Rhode Island and Connecticut.

Most of the staff members at the hotel went to see the ski movie, "Ski Here, Senior" at Springfield last Wednesday night. The movie was presented under the auspices of the Springfield Ski club.

Mrs. Monroe Smith and her son, Jonathan Monroe, came home Sunday from the Franklin county hospital after a month's stay. Mrs. Smith is well on the road to recovery.

The Girl Scouts met Monday afternoon in Alexander hall. Capt. Senior and the group of girls studying stagecraft rehearsed their play, while Genevieve Wozniak taught a group dancing.

The group of women enrolled in the coat-making project under extension service direction met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Harold Bigelow on Maple street.

Miss Evelyn Russell of the Farms is studying at Atlantic Union college at South Lancaster.

Dr. Curtis Lee Laws of New York City, frequent visitor to Northfield, has gone to St. Petersburg, Fla., to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos P. Field of this town arrived in Orlando, Fla., last week where they will reside during the winter months. They made the trip by motor visiting various places and rolled up 1,444 miles on their speedometer. In a note they said the weather was delightful and that they observed much progress in the southlands.

The dance of the Northfield Grange scheduled this week has been postponed to Thursday evening of next week.

It is reported that Carroll Rich of West Northfield has accepted a civil service job at Ft. Devens and that the family will remove from Northfield and locate somewhere in that vicinity.

Gordon C. Buffum announces that he has taken on a line of Firestone tires at his filling station and will carry in stock all sizes.

Mrs. L. A. Webber who is at the Farren Memorial hospital for medical treatment is reported as fast improving.

Mrs. Franz George is at her home making rapid improvement from her recent illness.

Harmony Lodge of Masons held a largely attended meeting in Masonic hall Wednesday and this Friday evening the newly chosen officers for the year will be installed by Rt. Wor. Frank H. Reed and suite. A banquet will be served to members and visiting guests after the ceremonies.

Rev. Edward Dahl of the Congregational church will exchange pulpits next Sunday with a close friend and classmate, the Rev. Robert E. Luccock of the Methodist church in Plainville, Ct. Mr. Luccock is the son of Dr. Halford E. Luccock of Yale university, who preached the sermon at the ordination service in October.

Information received states that the Winchester National Bank has sent out checks of its Christmas club to members totaling more than \$11,000. The checks were issued last Friday.

The Franklin county affiliate of the Foreign Policy association will hold a dinner meeting at the Weldon hotel in Greenfield this Friday evening at 6:15. The speaker will be Raymond Leslie Buell, Round Table editor of Fortune, and former president of the Foreign Policy association, who will speak on "Strategy for Victory." Several from this town and from the Seminary and Hermon will be in attendance.

Principal Richard A. Cobb of the local high school has been named a member of the County Junior Red Cross organization committee.

The Deerfield Valley Arts association cordially invites our citizens to attend the Christmas Bazaar and sale, each weekday from 10 to 8 at the Mansion House in Greenfield, Dec. 2 thru Dec. 18. There will be a showing of crafts and small paintings from the studios of member artists.

Miss Elsie L. Burnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Burnett of East Charlemont and Harry Hunkler of Charlemont were married in this town on Nov. 11 and recently announced.

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Stevan Dohanos (above) recovered from tuberculosis to become muralist and illustrator. He is artist of 1941 Christmas Seal.

The Garden club members enjoyed their Christmas party at Alexander hall last Monday evening. President D. E. Bodley was Santa Claus and everyone received a present. Mrs. M. F. Lopez sang two solos and the crowd joined in singing the Christmas hymns directed by Mr. Lawrence. There was a guessing contest on the naming of evergreens and two prizes were awarded. The next meeting of the Garden club will be the second Monday in February when the annual dinner will be served.

The school committee will meet at Supt. Robert Taylor's office at the Center school Friday evening to work on the year's accounts and plan the budget for the year.

Mme. Maria Gregoire who is a member of the faculty of the music department of the Seminary will be soloist with the Vermont state symphony orchestra for its second annual concert at the Bellows Falls (Vt.) Opera House on Wednesday evening of next week.

Northfield Grange will meet next Tuesday evening. Montague, Shelburne and Royalston Granges have been invited to provide the program. Members of the feast committee for December are Mrs. Mattie Farnum, Mrs. Gertrude Gibson and Mrs. Josephine Holton.

The gift shop at the Northfield hotel offers a most unusual opportunity for the selection of Christmas gifts. There is a distinctive appeal in these articles and they are reasonably priced.

Gordon C. Buffum of this town conducted the radio services over the Keene, N. H. station last Monday evening. He was assisted by Rev. and Mrs. White of South Vernon and others. Rev. Mr. MacArthur who is the regular conductor was called away.

Beginning on Sunday morning, Dec. 14, small children will be cared for in the primary room during the church service at the Congregational church so that parents may bring them and attend church.

The Fish & Game association held a "hunters' supper" in the town hall, Thursday evening for members and their families. A dance followed the dinner and all present enjoyed the music of Barrett's orchestra.

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Del Monte Sugar Peas	tall can 13c
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Greenwich Inn Jellies	2 16-oz tumblers 25c
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Phillips Beans with Pork	2 No. 1 cans 11c
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TOWN TOPICS

It is reported from the Turners Falls airport that several students at Mount Hermon school are contemplating taking a course in private flying there.

The ninth annual conference on outdoor recreation will be held at the State College in Amherst next March 12-15 as announced by Dr. William Vinal, the conference chairman.

A deed has been filed at the registry in Greenfield by Harland Williams of Worcester, Alma G. White of Cutchogue, N. Y., and Dorothy E. Williams of New Haven, Conn., transferring their interests in land owned in Warwick by Fred B. Williams to Fanny M. Williams of Worcester.

The cottage house being built at the corner of Warwick avenue and East street, is that of Albert Anderson and the contractors are Leavis and Bolton.

Preparing For Pageant

At the Unitarian church plans for the Christmas pageant are under way. Committees have been appointed as follows: Joseph W. Field, assisted by Raymond Miller, in charge of the lighting; Mrs. Grace Heald and Mrs. Christine George, assisted by Mrs. Richard A. Cobb, will be in charge of the decorations; Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed and Mrs. Donald Williams, music; Mrs. George N. Kidder and Mrs. Carroll Miller, costumes; Mrs. Robert Taylor and Miss Julia Austin, tableaux; Linville W. Robbins and George N. Kidder, stage preparation, assisted by Howard Spaulding and Warren Randall.

Rev. Arthur Heeb will direct the rehearsals of the Bible reading parts which are being assigned to the young people and adults of the parish. Charles Leach is preparing a unique Christmas poster to be placed in the Wayside Pulpit during the holiday season.

This pageant covering the vision of the young Isaiah through the Nativity scenes into the young manhood of Jesus will be an unusual treatment of the beloved memories of the Christ Child's birth. Seven young boys with the minister will also present a scene revealing the parable teachings and sayings of Jesus, remembered by men grown old, who had not forgotten the words of their Master.

Sergeant York At Latchis

"Sergeant York" a most spectacular film showing will be seen at the Latchis Theatre beginning on Sunday. It is a story of the last World War involving the story of the experience of Sergeant Alvin C. York, whose amazing feats included the capture of 132 Germans single-handed, and who was declared by General Pershing the outstanding soldier of the war. Gary Cooper is in the leading role finely supported by an able cast. So much has been said and printed about this film that all should make an effort to see it.

Fire Law Modified

Fire Chief Charles L. Johnson wishes to announce a modification in the new State Law on fires in the open. Anyone who has a safe outdoor incinerator will be allowed to burn rubbish in it without a permit. A safe incinerator is one that will not allow any fire to escape. The approval or disapproval has been left entirely to the judgment of the Fire Chief.

If you have an incinerator that you consider safe, call the Fire Chief and it will be inspected for you.

West Northfield and South Vernon

South Vernon church, Rev. B. F. White, pastor, will exchange pulpits Sunday morning at 10:30 with Rev. E. E. Jones of the Vernon Union church. Sunday school at 11:45. Gordon Buffum of East Northfield will speak at the Loyal Workers meeting at 6:30. Rev. Dr. White will preach at 7:30.

It is expected that the moving pictures of the Palmer Camp meeting, previously announced for next Sunday evening, will be shown in January.

The Junior Mission society will meet this Saturday at 2:30 at the church.

Rev. and Mrs. B. F. White, Mrs. Gertrude Gibson and the Sunday school teachers have been named as a committee to arrange for the Christmas exercises at the church.

The Ladies' Mission society held an entertainment and a sale at the South schoolhouse Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Pliny W. Burrows of Vernon have bought a house in Brattleboro. A number of friends gave them a farewell party Tuesday evening at the Vernon Union church.

There will be a card party at the Pond schoolhouse next Thursday at 8 p. m. Refreshments will be served.

Mrs. R. Edgar Bruce left Sunday to visit friends in Chatham, N. Y.

Vernon Grange will hold installation of officers at their regular meeting next Wednesday evening.

The Men's Card club met Tuesday evening with Fred Bolton and will meet next Monday evening with Owen Stacey.

Edwin S. Brailey was the leader of the prayer meeting last Thursday at the Vernon Home.

Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Leavitt and Mrs. Nellie Stockwell have been ill with severe colds.

Mrs. George Hall of Brattleboro has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Carlton Holton.

Welfare Books Open

In a decision of importance throughout this state, by the Supreme Judicial court on Nov. 25, it is ruled that city and town public welfare records are "public records" as defined by state law and are therefore open to public inspection.

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clown,
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the news
From a gang of South American
Jews,
Who heard of a society female
rake,
Whose mother-in-law will under-
take
To prove that her husband's sister
knows,
As stated in a printed piece,
That she has a son, who has a
friend
Who knows when the war is going
to end!

—Author Unknown

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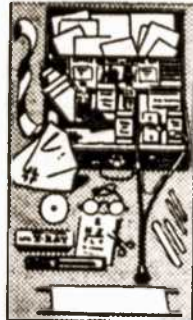
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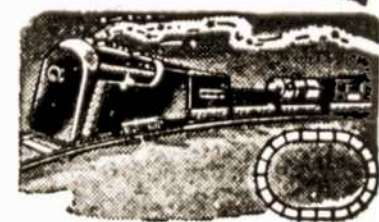
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EDITORIAL

SHALL YET BE FREE

"Wars still may rage, and lands be ravaged yet; still may the nations stumble and forget; Keep faith my heart and trust the things to be, for all mankind shall yet be one, a people free."

UNDERGOING CHANGE

The tone of the German press has undergone a curious change. For instance, in a recent article propaganda director Goebbels seemed actually pessimistic as to Germany's chances. He didn't say that in clear words, of course, but the intimation was that the Reich had a mighty tough job on her hands and that victory was far away.

It is generally believed in military quarters that the blitz technique has finally failed. It worked with France, Poland, the Low Countries and elsewhere. But it didn't work with England. And it isn't working with Russia.

The war is becoming more or less stabilized. It is turning into a war of resources. Hitler's prime concern now is to organize German-controlled Europe into the vast producing machine that the Nazi armies need. And the democracies' prime concern is to outproduce him in all fields.

CHRISTMAS

Polly Kelson Petersen in her promotional advertising for churches, heads her page with this tribute to Christmas, which the editor of the Press reprints for its readers. She says, "If ever there was a need for faith, now is the time. With half the world torn by war, with men's hearts filled with light of belief in our Father is hatred and with greed, the clear need to guide this land to the green pastures of peace and the brotherhood of man. Once, a long time ago, a Babe was born, touched by the hand of God, to show to the world the way to faith, to peace and to kindness. Through the slow centuries, His teachings have been heeded and the day of His birth kept sacred. Christmas today, tinged with sadness for so many, should mean a renewal of faith, with minds open to His words and hearts responsive to His love that once again peace and good will may come to the peoples of this earth."

Bible Sunday Named For Sunday, Dec. 14

Observance of a Bible Sunday is being planned throughout the nation on Sunday, Dec. 14 and Governor Saltonstall pronounces the same in a proclamation for this state and urges all to attend church and to set aside a portion of the day for consideration of the Scripture. The Governor has this to say:

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